

AIR BUBBLES PROTECT PIER

Great Waves at El Segundo, in California, Are Now Broken Up by a Unique Device.

One of the most unique and successful methods for protecting a pier during a storm is in use at El Segundo, Cal., the Pathfinder states. The pier there extended more than 4,000 feet into the bay, but a violent storm some time ago carried nearly half of it away and rocked the remaining structure to such an extent that people feared it, too, would soon go.

As El Segundo is one of the great shipping ports of California, it was recognized as vital to the interests of the community that the pier be preserved if possible. With this end in view a four-inch perforated pipe was laid in the bay about 145 feet beyond the end of the wharf and parallel to it.

Each end of this pipe was coupled to other pipes running back to the pier and attached to two air compressors. Additional piping was laid around the end of the pier and also connected with the compressors, making in all more than 300 feet.

Now when a storm comes up and waves begin to roll in, the compressors are started working, causing innumerable air bubbles to rise to the surface from the perforated pipes. Almost instantly the waves—often 15 feet high—are broken up into myriads of tiny wavelets no larger than those seen on a quiet summer day, while farther out, beyond the protected area the waves roll as high as ever.

As the pier is a costly structure, the owners do not feel that they are subjected to an unduly heavy expense in protecting it in this manner.

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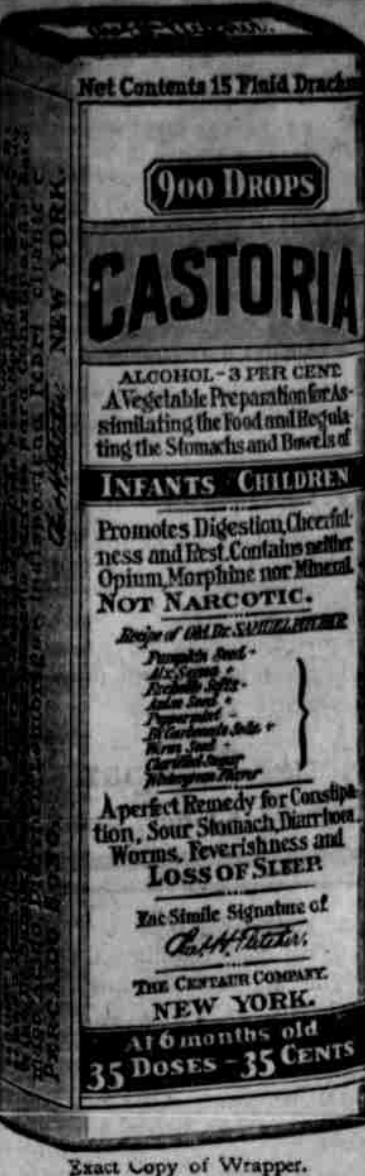
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